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**SPECIFICATION AMENDMENT**

**PAGE 4, LINES 9-13 amend to read:**

The partition of the invention has the advantage that the partition, rather than being in one piece, can be installed from a multiplicity of loosely assembled wall elements, thereby enabling the partition to be matched individually to the dimensions of the column.

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Page 13, lines 14 to 22, amend to read:

The strips 4, 4a, 4b, 5 are so dimensioned that when the wall elements 2 are fully inserted vertically and laterally into the respective slots, the strips 4, 4a and 4b overlap these adjoining wall elements 2 and form continuous sealed connections between them. While the adjoining wall elements are overlapped by the strips 4, 4a, 4b, the adjoining wall elements can be separated in their respective planes from one another (i.e. enable relative adjustment of the wall elements in the planes thereof) and any gaps between adjoining wall elements can be bridged by the strips 4a, 4b. The partition can thereby span between opposite sides of the column (see FIG. 8). More particularly the connector along the edge of one of the wall elements receives an edge of the other wall element enabling relative adjustment of the wall elements in planes thereof to enable the partition to span between opposite sides of said column.